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FLOWER AUCTION CENTRES AND CENTRES FOR PERISHABLE CARGO AT AIRPORTS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has set up Flower Auction Centres and Centres for Perishable Cargo at various airports in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is any proposal to set up more such Centres in various domestic and international airports in the country in the near future; and

(d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the locations identified for setting up of the same and the time by which such Centres are likely to be set up?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details of the flower auction centres and Centres for Perishable cargo are given below:

(i) The details of the Flower Auction Centres in operation and those being set up with assistance from the Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) and the Scheme for Assistance to States for Developing Export Infrastructure and Allied Activities(ASIDE) of the Department of Commerce are:

S.No.	Location	Cost (Rupees in crore)	Status
1.	Mumbai	22.00	Ready for operation
2.	Bangalore	10.38	Operational
3.	Noida	12.00	Ready for operation
4.	Kolkatta	26.00	Yet to be commissioned

(ii) Centres for Perishable Cargo (CPC) are in operation at the International Airports at Delhi, Mumbai, Hyderabad, Bangalore, Thiruvananthapuram, Chennai Kolkatta and Amritsar.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Details of the CPCs being set up are given below:

S.No	Airports	Cost (Rupees in crore)	Expected date of completion
1.	Cochin	23.45	December 2008
2.	Goa	2.37	March 2009
3.	Nashik	2.13	March 2009
4.	Bagdogra	2.99	March 2009